to HW 7/22/71

MEMO Re "Threat"

I don't know what to make of the cryptic "I.F.Stone" message although I am hesitant to interpret it as a threat. I would like to know why it was sent to Rothstein. I suppose now that this is why Sen. Gravel's office called you up.

Well, for what it's worth, I have a few thoughts on the message, not even a proposed solution, but some ideas on individual words.

Horse is also a slang word for heroin.

"Wasn't Lee in Irving's bedroom?" first struck me as Lee being Oswald and Irving being the Dallas suburb

My first though on "R.S.P." connected it with "R.S.V.P."

The misspelling of chow in "Chou Mein" is also reminiscent of Chou in Chou-en-lai, Premier of China.

One misspelling which really interests me is "tona" presumably for "tuna."

Cannot find "barfly" in the dictionary.

Any word on "Vigaro de Lilacs"?

My French is failing me. I forget what "De plain" means.

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